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1.	\boxtimes	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.							
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5.	\boxtimes	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))							
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8.		An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).							
9.	\boxtimes	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). (unsigned)							
10.		An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).							
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12.		An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.							
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14.		An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.							
15.		A substitute specification.							
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17.		A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.							
18.		A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).							
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